



General Assembly

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Committee Bill No. 5125

LCO No. 3374



Referred to Committee on PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

Introduced by:
(PD)

AN ACT INCREASING THE PROPERTY TAX ABATEMENT FOR CERTAIN FIRST RESPONDERS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 12-81w of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

3 The legislative body of any municipality may establish, by
4 ordinance, a program to provide property tax relief for a nonsalaried
5 local emergency management director, any individual who volunteers
6 his or her services as a firefighter, fire police officer, as defined in
7 subsection (a) of section 7-308, emergency medical technician,
8 paramedic, civil preparedness staff, active member of a volunteer
9 canine search and rescue team, as defined in section 5-249, active
10 member of a volunteer underwater search and rescue team, or
11 ambulance driver in the municipality, or any individual who is a
12 retired volunteer firefighter, fire police officer or emergency medical
13 technician and has completed at least twenty-five years of service as a
14 volunteer firefighter, fire police officer or emergency medical
15 technician in the municipality. Such tax relief may provide either (1) an
16 abatement of up to one thousand five hundred dollars in property

17 taxes due for any fiscal year, or (2) an exemption applicable to the
18 assessed value of real or personal property up to an amount equal to
19 the quotient of one million dollars divided by the mill rate, in effect at
20 the time of assessment, expressed as a whole number of dollars per
21 one thousand dollars of assessed value. Any ordinance may authorize
22 interlocal agreements for the purpose of providing property tax relief
23 to such volunteers who live in one municipality but volunteer or
24 volunteered their services in another municipality.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	July 1, 2019	12-81w

Statement of Purpose:

To increase the property tax abatement for certain first responders from one thousand dollars to one thousand five hundred dollars.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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